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TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN EDUCATION SOCIETY.

THE American Education Society held its Twenty-Ninth Annual Meeting in the vestry of Park Street Meeting-house, Boston, May 26, 1845, at 4 o'clock, P. M.

JOHN TAPPAN, Esq. Vice President of the Society, took the chair.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. WILLIAM JENKS, D. D., of Boston.

Rev. AUSTIN PHELPS, of Boston, was appointed Clerk of the meeting.

The Minutes of the last Annual Meeting were read by the Secretary.

A proposition to alter the Eleventh Article of the Constitution, which was submitted last year, and laid upon the table for action at this meeting, came up for consideration. Whereupon

Voted, That the Eleventh Article of the Constitution, relating to a quorum for the transaction of business in meetings of the Society, be altered by substituting the number *twelve* for *twenty*.

The Treasurer submitted his Report, which was accepted and ordered to be printed.

The Twenty-Ninth Annual Report of the Directors was presented by the Secretary, and on motion it was

Voted, That the reading of the Annual Report of the Directors be now dispensed with; and that extracts from it be read at the public meeting this evening.

The Secretary stated that the Treasurer, HARDY ROPES, Esq., who had served the

Society with great fidelity for a period of fifteen years, being desirous of entering into other engagements, had declined being again a candidate for election.

The officers of the Society for the ensuing year were then chosen.

Mr. JULIUS A. PALMER, of Boston, was also elected a Corporate Member of the Society.

The business being finished, prayer was offered by Rev. SILAS AIKEN, of Boston, and the Society adjourned, to attend the public services of the Anniversary, in Park Street Meeting-house, at half past seven o'clock this evening.

The services in the evening were opened with prayer by Rev. BROWN EMERSON, D. D., of Salem.

An Abstract of the Annual Report of the Directors was read by the Secretary.

On motion of Rev. ORIN FOWLER, of Fall River, Ms.

Resolved, That the Report, an abstract of which has now been read, be accepted, and adopted, and be printed under the direction of the Executive Committee.

This Resolution was supported in a brief address by Mr. FOWLER.

On motion of Rev. DANIEL L. CARROLL, D. D., of New York,

Resolved, That an enlightened, pious ministry of the gospel, is demanded, not only as an indispensable agency of spiritual life, but as a controlling power on the pe-

culiarities of mind, and a conservative element in the social and political institutions of this country.

Dr. CARROLL supported this resolution in an address.

On motion of Rev. LYMAN BEECHER, D. D., of Lane Seminary, Cincinnati,

Resolved, That the extensive field of the West; the rapid increase of population; the multiplication of destructive errors; and the conspiracies of the Church and State Union of the Catholic governments of Europe to substitute despotism for republicanism, and popery for liberty of conscience and true religion; demand the immediate and utmost efforts of the Education Society to supply a holy, learned and evangelical ministry.

Dr. BEECHER addressed the assembly in support of this Resolution.

After singing the Christian Doxology, the Benediction was pronounced by Rev. Dr. JENKS.

A vote of thanks was then passed to the speakers who had addressed the meeting, and to the choir of singers who had assisted in the services of the evening, and the Society adjourned.

The following are the Officers chosen.

President.

HON. LEWIS STRONG.

Vice President.

JOHN TAPPAN, Esq.

Directors.

REV. BROWN EMERSON, D. D.
REV. JOHN CODMAN, D. D.
REV. EBENEZER BURGESS, D. D.
REV. GEORGE W. BLAGDEN.
REV. SAMUEL H. RIDDEL.
REV. HUBBARD WINSLOW.
EBENEZER ALDEN, M. D.
REV. WILLIAM A. STEARNS.
REV. EDWARD BEECHER, D. D.
JOEL GILES, Esq.
JULIUS A. PALMER, Esq.

Secretary.

REV. SAMUEL H. RIDDEL.

Treasurer.

STEPHEN T. FARWELL, Esq.

Auditor.

JAMES MEANS, Esq.

EXTRACTS FROM THE REPORT.

To those engaged in conducting the affairs of any of our Benevolent Soci-

ties, the close of a year of their labors is a period full of serious interest. The results of an important part of their instrumentality, in a work connected with the most cherished interests of the church of Christ, are then, as far as may be, to be formally reviewed; and to be set forth somewhat distinctly to the notice of those in whose behalf they have been intrusted with so great responsibilities.

To another of these periods of observation and reflection the Directors of the American Education Society are now brought; more deeply than ever impressed with a sense of their insufficiency, without the special guidance of heavenly wisdom, to labor in the fulfilment of an agency involving duties so various and difficult as that which has been committed to their hands. But while impressed with this thought, they would at the same time be doing violence to their own most lively feelings, were they not, with special emphasis, to recognize the hand of a favoring Providence, by which their plans and operations, during the year now ending, have not only been sustained according to their hopes, but crowned with more encouraging success than they ventured at its beginning to anticipate. Not only has the returning harmony of public sentiment in favor of the cause, which called for the grateful notice of the Directors in their last Annual Report, been steadily increasing through the year, as has been testified by many pleasant fruits; but, as will appear from some of the details to be given, peculiar proofs of the divine blessing have been vouchsafed; proofs of a care on the part of a forecasting Providence to relieve the burdens of the society, and to remove, in a great measure, the chief discouragement which remained at the commencement of the year to give solicitude to the Directors.

In view of every testimony of the divine favor, the Directors would feel their obligations to devote themselves with increasing assiduity to the great object before them, and would be excited to make it their habitual prayer to Him who not only in their prosperity, but also in their seasons of temporary trial, appears to have designed the real welfare of the Society:—“*Let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us; and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it.*”

Number of young men assisted during the year.—The number of young men in different stages of their course of preparation for the ministry, whom the Society has assisted from its funds during the year, is *three hundred and forty-five*. Of these, *two hundred and eighteen* have been connected more directly with the Parent Society, being resident at the Colleges and Theological Seminaries in New England and in the Western Reserve, Ohio; and *one hundred and twenty-seven* with the Central American Education Society at New York, embracing those at the Institutions in New York, and the Middle States, and at Lane Seminary, Ohio. In this number are included also *thirty-two* young men who are sustained by the Education Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Number received.—The number of new applicants received during the year has been *forty-eight*, of whom *twenty-nine* were received by the Parent Society, and *nineteen* by the Society at New York. This is twenty less than were received last year.

The entire number entered in the books of the Society from the first, amounts to *three thousand five hundred and eighty-seven*.

The following are the Institutions at which the young men, connected more

directly with the Parent Society, have been pursuing their studies during the year; with the number in each institution respectively.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES.

Andover, Mass.,	43
Newton, Mass.,	2
Bangor, Me.,	22
Connecticut Theol. Institute,	14
Yale Coll. Theo. Department,	24
Western Res. Coll. do	7

Whole number in six Seminaries, 112.

COLLEGES.

Amherst, Mass.,	43
Brown, R. I.,	1
Williams, Mass.,	9
Harvard, Mass.,	1
Bowdoin, Me.,	8
Dartmouth, N. H.,	11
Middlebury, Vt.,	10
University of Vermont,	4
Yale, Ct.,	24
Wesleyan, Ct.,	2
Western Reserve, O.,	11

Whole number in 11 Colleges, 104.

ACADEMIES.

Williston Seminary, East Hampton, Mass.,	1
Gilmanton Academy, Gilmanton, N. H.,	1

As it is now a considerable time since any new applicants have been received by the Parent Society in the preparatory department, there will soon be none of this class connected with the Society; unless there should possibly be some in their third year, at Academies where a three years' preparatory course is required.

The young men connected with the Central Board at New York, are returned as from the following Institutions.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES.

Union Theo. Sem. N. Y.,	20
Auburn, do.,	17
Lane Seminary, Ohio,	24
Western Reserve, O.,	1
Whole number in four Theological Seminaries, 62.	

COLLEGES.

New York University,	3
Hamilton College, N. Y.,	13
Union do. do,	3
Delaware do. Del.,	3
Pennsylvania College, Pa.,	1
Jefferson do. do.,	1
Yale do. Ct. . . .	2

Whole number in seven Colleges, 26.

ACADEMIES.

Cornelius Institute, N. Y.,	6
Williamsport Academy, N. Y.,	1

The whole number embraced in the foregoing lists, distinguishing the different classes, stands as follows:

THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS.

Parent Society in six Institutions,	112
Central Am. Ed. Soc. in four do	62—174

COLLEGES.

Parent Society, in eleven Colleges,	104
Central Am. Ed. Soc. in seven do	26—130

ACADEMIES.

Parent Society, in two Academies,	2
Central Am. Ed. Soc. in two do	7—9
Gettysburg Coll and Theo Sem. (Lutherans)	
No. in each not designated,	32
Whole number, as before stated,	345

Financial Department.—In exhibiting a statement of the operations of the year, in the financial department, the accounts of the Parent Society, and of the Society at New York, will be first presented in separate paragraphs, and the aggregate afterwards given, the better to correspond with the form in which the Reports of the respective Treasurers are now published.

Receipts.—The amount received from all sources during the year, for current use, into the Treasury of the Parent Society, is \$34,842 46 The balance in the Treasury at the beginning of the year was

2,686 84

Making the disposable funds of the Board for the year, \$37,529 30

The receipts show an increase of \$13,096 51 beyond the receipts of the previous year. This encouraging increase in the amount of the annual receipts, has been derived principally from the unusual amount of legacies paid into the Treasury during the year. The amount realized from this source has been \$15,470 59; which is an advance upon the previous year, in this branch of the income alone, of \$11,325 57; and which, with the exception of the years 1835 and 1841, is a greater amount than has been received from legacies in one year since the Society was founded.

It is gratifying also to state, with regard to the interest in the cause manifested by the living, that the contributions of the churches received into the treasury of the Parent Society are somewhat more than *two thousand dollars* in advance of the amount received the last year.

The amount acknowledged by the Treasurer of the Central American Education Society, embracing the receipts of the Philadelphia Education Society, Evangelical Lutheran, &c., is \$16,377 09. Thus the whole amount of receipts for the year, stands at \$51,219 55. This is an advance of \$16,407 88 or nearly fifty *per cent* upon the receipts of last year.

Loans Refunded.—The amount refunded to the Parent Society the past year by those who have formerly received assistance, is \$3,212 23. These returns to the treasury of the Society have been made with the utmost cheerfulness; and there can be no doubt that a considerable sum will continue to be received from this source for years to come.

Disbursements.—The disbursements from the treasury of the Parent Society, for paying appropriations to students, expenses of conducting the operations of the Board, interest on the debt, together with a part of the principal, have amounted to \$35,420 68. This sum taken from the disposable means of the Board, leaves a balance in the Treasury of \$2,108 62.

The Society's debt at the beginning of the year was only one dollar and forty-five cents short of twenty-eight thousand dollars. The amount applied to its reduction has been \$20,368 44, bringing down the indebtedness of the Board at the present time to \$7,630 11. Though the Directors cannot anticipate such extraordinary means of meeting their liabilities for the year to come, as have been granted them the past year; yet they trust it is not presuming improperly upon the interest which this cause possesses in the favor of Heaven, and in the hearts of the people of God, to express the confident hope, seeing that the sum now required to bring up their arrears is only about one third as great

as they have been enabled the past year to apply for this purpose, that after one year more shall have elapsed, the Treasurer's Report will not again be encumbered with a "statement of the debt of the Society," or with the item of "interest on money hired" for its use.

The appropriations to students have been paid with punctuality at the rate of fifteen dollars quarterly, through the year; which has given them sixty dollars each, or three fourths of the amount contemplated in the rules of the Society, as requisite to meet that part of their annual expenses which they cannot be expected in other ways to supply. This curtailment of the narrow stipend for which the young men are looking to the Society, has been unquestionably a source of very serious embarrassment, and even of hindrance to many of them; and the Directors lament that they cannot at this time hold out the assurance that it will be in their power in the course of the year on which they have entered, to raise their appropriations to the full amount. A comprehensive regard, however, to the best interests of the object, and ultimately also of the young men themselves, has determined the Board, until their debt shall be paid off, to continue to pursue a medium course between the policy which would encourage any considerable increase of numbers, and court a temporary popularity to the cause at the risk of permanently crippling the Society itself, and that, on the other hand, which, for the sake of obtaining a more speedy relief from the burdens which for a time must bear heavily upon their own operations, would so stint the young men as unavoidably to endanger their success in obtaining the object before them. It is thought by the Directors, that, in the circumstances in which the Society has been placed,

this medium has been hit upon with tolerable correctness, by such a limitation of the appropriations as the one adhered to for some time past. It is confidently believed, however, that no necessity for any such limitation whatever will again arise, when once the debt shall have been wholly paid.

The cost to the current funds of carrying on the operations of the Parent Society during the year, for salaries and travelling expenses of the Secretary, Treasurer and Agents, for the publication of the Quarterly Journal, for postage, rent, fuel, &c., has, by careful economy, and by employing only one agent for a great part of the time, been brought down to \$4,120 38, which is but a little more than one-ninth part of the entire amount applied to the general objects of the Society.

From the accounts of the Treasurer at New York, it appears that the disbursements of the Central Board, and of the other Societies which transmit their accounts to them, have amounted to \$14,423 39; which added to those of the Parent Board, makes the Society's whole expenditure for the year, \$49,844 07.

The appropriations to students by that Board, and by the other organizations connected with it, have varied from twelve to nineteen dollars quarterly.

Agencies.—Since the first of June last, when Rev. Mr. Nash resigned his agency to enter into an engagement to supply a parish in the vicinity of Burlington, Vt., the Society has employed only one agent in New England. The Rev. Joseph Emerson has continued as General Agent, to labor with good success in Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island. The Directors are happy to learn from Mr. Emerson's statements, that his efforts have been cordially received and re-

ponded to wherever he has gone, by the Pastors and by the people; and that he meets with few or no objections at the present time, to such a system of agencies as our principal benevolent Societies are employing for the purpose of diffusing information and collecting funds.

With the exception of about a month's labor, which Mr. Nash performed before his engagement with the Society ceased, and the visits of Mr. Emerson to two or three places in New Hampshire, there has been no agent employed the past year in the three Northern States of New England. It must also be added that the amount of receipts into the Treasury from that part of the field has been exceedingly small.

The Rev. Daniel Clark, Jr., continues to act as General Agent of the Central American Education Society, laboring within the bounds of the Utica Agency, and also of the Western Education Society, which has its centre of operations at Auburn, N. Y. His labors have been well received by the churches, and have been successful in promoting an increasing interest in the cause.

Loan and Gratuity.—The plan on which the Society now affords assistance to young men preparing for the ministry, embraces each of these principles or methods. The student is permitted, with such counsel as he may obtain from his friends, from the Examining Committees, or the Secretary of the Society, to make his election of the method, which, in his particular situation, he may on the whole prefer to adopt. He may at any time change from one mode to the other, if in the progress of his studies he finds it necessary, or deems it judicious to make such change. This system has been in operation for about two years, and appears to have met with a favorable reception, both

on the part of the Christian public, and of those more immediately concerned in its bearing upon their individual circumstances and interests. There are various considerations affecting the decision of a question of this kind in practice, which make it clearly inexpedient for the Society to confine young men to one absolute rule, whether it be that of loans or of gratuitous appropriations. Some are found who are unwilling, especially at first, to ask for aid unless they can receive it as a loan, and who would be deterred altogether from entering upon a course of study if they might not obtain it in this form. Some there are who are so situated as absolutely to require the assistance of the Society; and yet, their own good judgment, and that of an Examining Committee, duly informed in respect to their peculiar situation, clearly concur in the opinion that they ought to take it as a loan. Another class, and that undoubtedly the largest, ought not to be expected to refund the money which they receive from the Society; certainly not the whole of it; and it is surely better that they should not be required to pledge themselves beforehand to do what they have no reasonable prospect of being able to do. The present modification of the system, therefore, has strongly commended itself to the judgment of the Directors; and they discover nothing, thus far, in its practical applications, which would lead them to distrust its beneficial influence. Under a discreet management it is their belief that it will be found to operate both safely for the credit and welfare of the Society, and kindly as it concerns the feelings, the interests and the highest usefulness of the young men brought forward by this means into the ministry. So far as has been ascertained, it may be stated that, since the option of the loans or gratuitous appro-

priations has been offered, from one quarter to one third of the young men whose returns have passed under the inspection of the Parent Board, have preferred the loan. There is reason to believe that all, whether taking the loan or the gratuity, have endeavored to make their election conscientiously, and so as to secure the approbation of those who are authorized to advise with them on this point.

General operation of the system.—The Directors do not by any means limit their views of the increased advantages of the system under which the Society now conducts its operations, to the single point above specified. The main principles, and also the most important details of the plan, are now so generally understood that it seems unnecessary to enter into any extended exposition of them here; more especially, as this was attempted in relation to several of its newer features in the last Annual Report.

Much benefit is reasonably expected from the requisition that the young men applying for aid to the Society, should be previously prepared to enter college. This, it is true, will occasion a considerable reduction in the number of applicants, but chiefly by keeping away that class of young men who, either from lack of intellectual force, or from instability of Christian purpose, would be unable to endure the test of so thorough an ordeal; or who, under the mental and moral developments of the trial, will not have created a sufficient confidence in their prospect of success to warrant their ever being sent with unequivocal testimonials to the Examining Committees. The probability is strong, that a very large proportion, if not the entire body of those who can come well recommended after such an effectual experiment, will hold out to the end of their course;

and, so far as character, scholarship, and natural endowments are concerned, will not fail of meeting the just expectations of the Christian community. Thus, from a given number of young men assisted, and with a corresponding amount of expenditure, the Society may hope to bring a larger number into the ministry, and those with higher average qualifications, than before assistance was limited to students in the collegiate and theological departments.

A decided advantage has been gained, as it is felt in practice, through the important responsibility now thrown upon the Examining Committees at the Colleges and Theological Seminaries. These Committees, in all cases have acted in the most entire concurrence with the rules of the Society, and with the views of the Directors; and their faithful co-operation with the officers of the Board, is a valuable element of strength and precision in the exercise of their several functions. There ought to be, as indeed there really is, but one interest and one sentiment in all things pertaining to this matter, between the Directors of this Society and those who have at heart the best interests of the Colleges and Theological Seminaries. That policy on the part of the Faculty of any such institution, which should incline them, for the sake of securing a larger number of students, to recommend to the Education Society to sustain young men in their classes, who, when they were to come into the ministry, should fail intellectually to sustain themselves in their profession, must be sure to re-act unfavorably upon such institution, almost as much as upon the Society itself. The true policy of the Colleges and Seminaries must be to avail themselves of the assistance of the Education Society in keeping up a high standard of charac-

ter, talent and attainment, among those whom they may send out as educated men, into any sphere of public life. They would have much reason to complain of this Society, if, by any influence it might possess, it should practically counteract the efforts of instructors to secure the higher benefits of learning, as far as possible, to that superior order of minds for which Providence has intended them. The Directors have strong confidence that an enlightened unanimity of views will continue to render this a well balanced, convenient and efficient arrangement for all the necessary purposes of intercourse between the Board and the young men. There is now no duty in this department, entailing a serious train of consequences upon the Society, which is laid upon persons who can have scarcely any visible responsibility for their acts. The system, in this most essential part, feels distinctly all the supports on which it rests; and, so far as can now be foreseen, it need not be specially liable to weakness or fluctuation.

While waiving any more extended discussion of the points involved in the practical rules of the Society, it may not be out of place to remark, that the information obtained from the instructors at the several Colleges under the Rule requiring the Secretary to ascertain the standing of young men at the end of their Freshman year, has in no instance been such as to call for the discontinuance of appropriations on account of the individual's falling below the average rank of scholarship. On the contrary, in a large majority of instances, the young men are found to have established at this stage a standing much above mediocrity. Concerning many of them much stronger language even than this is employed by their teachers, guided as they are in these answers, not by favoritism,

nor by mere general impressions; but simply by the average of each young man's recitations during the year, as marked at the time they are heard, according to the system now generally pursued in the Colleges. If students, under the disadvantages which most of our young men are obliged to encounter, are enabled in their first year in College to gain a standing clearly above mediocrity, they may commonly be expected to rise to a still more respectable rank before they finish their course. Such are therefore entitled to receive continued assistance, at least for a time, with the expectation that they will soon reach the degree of excellence which the Society regards as essential. With respect to those who may fall decidedly below the medium standard of scholarship at the end of the first year in College, the Directors virtually declare by the rule which they have adopted, that they do not think it incumbent on a Society like this, possessing but limited means, in proportion to the demands upon it, and relying for its existence and usefulness on the ready commendation of all its principles and measures before the tribunal of popular opinion, to take the risk of applying its funds to their support in the further prosecution of their studies. This is not denying that some of them would ultimately succeed, and perhaps become eminently useful in the ministry; but only that such a result in ordinary cases can now appear to be sufficiently probable, to justify a Society like this in appropriating its means to their support, while there are others, with better native endowments, who might be substituted in their place. The quality of the young men whom it shall be the business of this Society to call out from the bosom of the churches, and assist in training for the Master's use, will depend much on the general under-

standing which is established in the public mind respecting the grade of intellect required as a sufficient warrant for the encouragement afforded. Let but an elevated and sound public sentiment on this subject prevail in every quarter, and those assisted, the number being the same, may be selected from a superior, as easily as from a more ordinary class of minds.

Improvement steadily to be sought.—The Directors are deeply impressed with the conviction that the aim of an institution like this should be constantly to seek after the means of securing the most elevated spirit of piety, and the highest average measure of intellectual cultivation and strength, in those to whom its advantages may be extended. Owing to the existence of many difficulties in the way of realizing all which would be thought desirable in this respect, it must be impossible to attain even tolerable success, unless a very high standard of excellence is steadily kept in view. The Society acts upon this principle in requiring a thorough course of education; and it is not often the case now, so far as the time devoted to study is concerned, that the intent of the system in this point fails of being literally fulfilled. It admits of a question, indeed, whether any amount of literary acquirement short of that which is embraced in a regular collegiate course, ought to be accepted, even in rare instances, as an equivalent for such a course, in the case of those who propose to enter upon the study of Theology. But even with regard to those who pass creditably through College, it has often been remarked that hasty and imperfect preparation to enter,—one of the disadvantages incident to their deficiency of pecuniary means,—is liable to prevent their doing as full justice to themselves and to the object

which they have in view, as they would otherwise have done. This obstacle to the highest success of the student, the Directors think, ought to be more effectually guarded against. Let the impression every where be made that it is all important, that young men, intending, as soon as they are fitted for College, to apply to the Education Society for assistance, should not attempt to enter with defective preparation. Let it be understood that the Examining Committees at the Colleges will not recommend to the Board such as do not come to them prepared to sustain a thorough examination, and to enter College without difficulty. A young man who undertakes, with the assistance of this Society, to obtain an education for the ministry, assumes a sufficiently onerous task; without being under the necessity, after he is in College, to make up for the serious defects of a hurried preparation. The Directors believe that a decided improvement would be made, if this point should be more thoroughly attended to in practice.

A more important, and yet a more difficult branch of the subject, in which improvement should always be aimed at, is that which relates to the evidences of piety, and of a spirit of self-denying devotedness to the cause of Christ, which ought to be sought for in our young men before they should be encouraged to prepare for the ministry. On this point no specific directions can be given, further than to say that the evidences relied on should be well scrutinized, and of a positive character. A profession of religion is not enough. Even a desire to obtain an education for the ministry is not of itself sufficient to evince that the youth who experiences that desire is specially called, or fitted by the Spirit of God for the work. His religious experience and history should be carefully consulted,

and the character of his piety ascertained; at least, so far as to give reasonable satisfaction that it will prove a deep and abiding principle in the soul. His purpose to devote himself to the work of the ministry ought to be manifestly founded in a deep sense of eternal realities, and excited by a pre-eminent love to Christ. The spirit which animates him in this pursuit should be no other than that which would carry him to the ends of the earth in obedience to the will of Christ, to seek the salvation of a single soul.

It is obvious that in endeavoring to promote an increase of intellectual and spiritual attainments in the rising ministry, this Society, however firmly fixed in such a design, can accomplish comparatively little without the co-operation of the Christian community, especially of pastors and literary instructors. It should be understood that the Society is not responsible for many evils prevailing in the community, which may, nevertheless, sadly affect the quality of the fruits which it produces. If many of the rising generation suffer injury through the decline of parental faithfulness; if spurious revivals and ambiguous tests of religious experience bring much hay, wood and stubble into the churches, the influence must be proportionably embarrassing and disastrous to such a work as that in which we are engaged. The same thing is true of any practical errors which may exist in our educational systems or institutions. They at once affect unfavorably the results of a work like this. But in either case, the fault, so far as there is any, does not lie at the door of this Society.

There is another evil existing in the community which indirectly hinders the success of our operations. It is the frequent dismissal of pastors, and the consequent multiplication of min-

isters who must remain, for a time at least, without charge. A portion of these are liable, in such a state of things to be left, at length, altogether without employment; especially if they are getting advanced somewhat beyond the meridian of life. Now, this painful result is often attributed to the Education Society; as though by its past exertions there had come to exist in the country an excessive supply of educated ministers. But this result, not implying, in fact, any such excessive supply, grows out of an evil in the community for which the Society is in no manner responsible. And a very little reflection is sufficient to produce the conviction, that the more this evil of the premature dismissal of ministers prevails, the greater demand there will be upon every instrumentality by which ministers are to be raised up. The sacrifice and waste of ministerial talent and usefulness thereby occasioned, is by no means inconsiderable, which it will be necessary to have compensated by increased exertions to bring young men into the field.

Permanent Claims of the Cause.—In connection with the views now taken of the operations of the past year, and of the principles which the Directors intend as far as possible to carry out in the discharge of their trust, it is their wish to invite the attention of the friends of religion to some of the permanent claims which this cause has upon their affections and support. The crisis is favorable for looking at this aspect of the subject. The indications of public sentiment in regard to this branch of benevolent effort are such as to show that the minds of intelligent Christians in our country, in spite of every liability, for a time, from contingent and accidental causes, to an abatement of their first love, do still recognize the paramount influence of the

great motives urged in favor of the object. The force of these motives has not been diminished, but on the contrary manifestly increased, by the ordeal of a fair and faithful discussion. In truth, the cause is one, being so eminently comprehensive in its relations, and in the working out of its effects, being rather recondite than superficial, which has little to lose, and much to gain, at all times, from thorough investigation.

The Report goes on to consider several points on which the claims of this cause rest, viz. The necessity of special efforts to supply the demand for educated ministers; the pecuniary necessities of the student who is without means of his own; and the superior advantages of the system adopted by the American Education Society in furnishing the requisite assistance. Our limits do not admit of further extracts from the Report.

Central American Education Society.

THE Twenty-seventh Anniversary of this Society was held in the First Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia, May 15, 1845. Ambrose White, Esq., President of the Philadelphia Education Society presided. A statement of the operations of the Society during the year was made by the Secretary, Rev. Eliakim Phelps, D. D. The meeting was then addressed by Rev. Joel Parker, D. D., of Philadelphia, Rev. Julian M. Sturtevant, President of Illinois College, and Rev. Dr. Beecher, of Lane Seminary, Ohio.

The following notices of Auxiliary Societies co-operating with the Central American Education Society, are from the Report of the Directors.

PHILADELPHIA EDUCATION SOCIETY.

This Auxiliary, in which the interests of the Education cause have been sustained through all the late embar-

rassments better, perhaps, than in any other portion of the country, has had only one-half of the labors of the Secretary during the year. It extends over a tract of country more than three hundred miles square. The churches are widely distant from each other, and to visit them requires a great amount of agency and travel. The collections, however, even with the limited amount of agency employed, amount to \$5,690 32, which is nearly \$1,000 more than the receipts of the previous year.

WESTERN AMERICAN EDUCATION SOCIETY, (Cincinnati.)

This Society, which, in more prosperous times, collected some \$6,000 a year, found it necessary, in the commercial reverses of the country, a few years since, to suspend its action altogether. It has, however, made a partial effort to resuscitate its operations during the past year, in connection with the Philadelphia Education Society, with favorable prospects. They have collected about \$400, which has been appropriated to students of Lane Seminary.

WESTERN EDUCATION SOCIETY.

This Auxiliary, which has been in operation longer than any other now in our connection, was, for more than a year, without any collecting agent. An arrangement, however, was made about one year and a half ago, by which the Rev. Daniel Clark, who has labored so long, and so successfully, as Secretary of the Utica Agency, should extend his labors over the whole of Central and Western New York. The cause has undoubtedly suffered to no inconsiderable extent by the temporary suspension of its operations: but by the efficient labors of Mr. Clark it has been in a measure revived; and, although he has devoted to it but one half of his time, he has collected the sum of \$1,780 61. The field of his operations is entirely too large. It is abundantly sufficient for the whole time of two men. An arrangement is in progress to procure another man to labor with him on that interesting field.

UTICA AGENCY.

The receipts of this Agency amount to \$2,232 41, which is an advance on the previous year. Rev. Mr. Clark, the laborious and efficient Secretary,

has bestowed only one-half of his time on that Agency, the other half being employed in the service of the Western Education Society. He has been able to procure funds to meet all the demands on both fields—to meet all the expenses of both Societies, and pay all the appropriations of both.

Quarterly Meeting.

THE Quarterly Meeting of the Board of Directors was held at the Rooms of the Society, July 9, 1845. The usual business was transacted. Appropriations of fifteen dollars each were ordered to be paid to the young men who send their applications to the Parent Society. The Quarterly Report of the Central Am. Ed. Society, at New York, was before the Board, showing that they have made the usual appropriations to the young men in their connection. Four new applications for assistance, from young men at different institutions in New England, were received and accepted.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Indiana Branch, which has for some years past been inoperative, informing the Board that the said Branch had recently been revived and re-organized, and requesting that it might now be recognized in its renovated form, as a Branch of the American Education Society. Whereupon the following vote was passed, *viz* :

Voted, That this Board do recognize the Indiana Branch, recently re-organized, as being in regular connection with the American Education Society; agreeably to the Rules of the Society defining the relations of the Parent Society and its Branches.

One young man, pursuing his studies in Wabash College, at Crawfordsville, was received under the patronage of the Society in concurrence with the Indiana Branch.

Resolutions of the Western Convention.

THE Convention of Presbyterian and Congregational Ministers which met at Detroit, June 19, 1845, having under consideration the subject of education for the ministry, as demanded to meet the moral exigencies of the population in the great Western Valley, thus expressed their sense of the importance to that country of the labors of the Education Society.

Resolved, That this Convention commend to special consideration the objects and claims of the American Education Society, to whose efficient labors the West is already indebted for so large a portion of its most laborious and valuable ministers. It is believed that, for many years to come, the ministry must be, to a great extent, supplied from those who have not the means of obtaining a thorough education without pecuniary assistance; and that, consequently, if the church is to be supplied with a competent educated ministry, a greatly increased effort in this department of benevolence must be made.

They would, therefore, earnestly commend this cause anew to the prayers and patronage of the church of God, as being fundamental—absolutely essential to the ultimate success of every other department of benevolent enterprise.

Resolved, That it be especially commended to pastors, and others interested in the cause, to look out among the young men of their respective churches such as may be adjudged suitable to be put in training for the sacred ministry; and that they adopt some system by which pecuniary assistance shall be supplied, where such assistance shall be necessary.

Correspondence.

THE following is an extract from the communication received from the Secretary of the Indiana Branch of the American Education Society, which is referred to in our notice of the proceedings of the Quarterly meeting. The indispensable need of the

instrumentality employed by the Education Society is felt by none more than by intelligent Christians at the West. Nothing but the heavy burdens coming upon them at the present time for the relief and permanent establishment of their own Colleges and Theological Seminaries, prevents them from acting in obedience to an earnest desire to extend a liberal support to this Society. This form of benevolent effort is destined to become one of great importance at the West; and there is at present a most imperious call for its aid. If the Parent Society had such pecuniary means as would authorize the Directors to encourage a more enlarged expectation at the West of receiving assistance from its funds, it would find abundant opportunity of doing good in that great field. There is reason to believe too, from the tenor of the following extracts as well as from many other expressions of opinion which have come to our knowledge, that the views of our brethren there, respecting the high standard of excellence to be maintained by those who may be selected, and by these sacred means encouraged and helped in their preparation for the Christian Ministry, are in full concurrence with those entertained by the Directors.

The letter of which the following is a part, bears date,

Wabash College, June 24, 1845.

Rev. S. H. Riddel, Secretary of the American Ed. Society.

DEAR BROTHER—I have the pleasure of opening a correspondence with you in behalf of the Indiana Education Society. Owing to the feebleness of our churches and their attention and energies being called to sustain Wabash College for several years past, the Society has of necessity, been in a quiescent state. Since the revived energies of the Parent Society and the changes made in the mode of granting

aid, have opened the way and encouraged the hope that it would be practicable for it to render assistance to young men in Indiana, through the medium of this Society, its friends have revived and put it in operation. It is not with the expectation that our churches will be able for two or three years to render much aid, inasmuch as they together with other friends of education, are making vigorous efforts to raise \$15,000, to liquidate the debt of the College, of which we hope the whole sum will be pledged by next January, some \$9,000 being already secured. We have a heart to do, but little can be done except by the churches occasionally taking scholarships in the College. In this way they have assisted and will continue to aid a number of worthy young men by paying their tuition. This is in the way of a *gratuity*. Gratuitous aid is the only assistance, that the circumstances of this country seem to warrant our young men to seek or receive. We rejoice that this feature has been incorporated with the loaning plan, and that the managers of the American Education Society have been led in the providence of God to make such modifications of its principles and mode of action, as to restore harmony of effort and secure the cordial support of the religious community. We regard the combination of the loaning and gratuitous aid, and confining that assistance to the collegiate and theological course as a very important improvement in the policy of the Society. The system seems to be as near perfection as human imperfection can carry it.

We have re-organized at the present time more for the purpose of acting as a channel, through which your beneficence may flow to worthy young men in our State seeking the ministry. We are thus free and frank to state to the Parent Society, that we cannot do

much in raising funds for several years; but as a liberal man, one of our citizens recently deceased, has left a legacy of some \$800 or \$1,000 to the American Education Society, we are induced to go into operation even in anticipation of our ability to do much except to furnish beneficiaries, knowing that it is an established principle of the Parent Society to expend within the limits of a Branch the funds given within its bounds, if suitable persons can be found within said bounds, needing such aid. We have felt distressed at our inability and at the apparent hopelessness of obtaining aid from the American Education Society, for a few years past, when we have contemplated our necessities on the one hand, and on the other, the number of young men in our State desirous to obtain an education preparatory to preaching the gospel, to whom we could afford no assistance. Providence seems at length to have opened the door, at which we now stand and solicit help.

F U N D S.

Receipts for the July Quarter, 1845.

INCOME FROM FUNDS	572 00
LOANS REFUNDED	632 60

LEGACIES.

Franklin, Cl. Dea. Dyer McCall, by H. Strong, Esq. Agt. balance	155 34
Keene, N. H. Eli Metcalf, by Elijah Parker, Esq. Exr.	833 00
Munson, Cl. Miss Hepzah Hawley, by Mr. Nathan Wheeler, Exr. through S. Sterling, Esq.	50 00
Norwich, Cl. From the estate of Mrs. Eunice King	45 00
Bequest of Harmonia Allen, late of Sturbridge, by George Davis, Esq. Exr.	84 50—1,167 84

AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

BARNSTABLE COUNTY.

[Dea. Joseph White, Yarmouth, Tr.]	
Falmouth, Ladies of Rev. Mr. Hooker's Soc.	12 00

BERKSHIRE COUNTY.

[Rev. John Todd, Pittsfield, Tr.]	
Egremont, Josiah Bacon	3 00
Great Barrington, Ch. and Soc.	18 00
Lee, do.	34 19
Peru, do.	5 50
Pittsfield, do.	37 70
Sheffield, do.	17 31
Stockbridge, do.	18 34
Donation from a former beneficiary of Berkshire County	5 00—139 04

ESSEX COUNTY NORTH.

[Col. Eben'r Hale, Newbury, Tr.]	
Newburyport, Mrs. Hunt 10, Mr. J. Moody 1,	11 00

ESSEX COUNTY SOUTH.

[Hon. David Choate, Essex, Tr.]	
Beverly, Fem. Ed. Soc. in Soc. of Rev. Mr. Dole, by Alice Bridges, Tr.	7 50
Manchester, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Taylor	15 47
Salem, Society of Rev. Mr. Worcester 55,50,	
Friend 1, Soc. of Rev. Dr. Emerson	56 50
Wenham, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Mansfield	25 00
	28 65—143 12

EDUCATION SOCIETY IN HARMONY ASSOCIATION.

[Wm. C. Capron, Esq. Uxbridge, Tr.]	
Millbury, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Beach	17 93

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

[Hon. Lewis Strong, Northampton, Tr.]	
Northampton, Benev. Soc. 1st parish From the H. Ed. Soc. funds	40 50
	36 50—77 00

MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

Charlestown, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Humphrey,	118 92
Dracut, West, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Merrill	6 05
Lowell, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Hanks	37 90
Stoneham, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Haven	7 39
Woburn, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Bennett	30 72—198 98

SOUTH CONFERENCE OF CHURCHES, MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

[Rev. George E. Day, Marlboro', Tr.]	
Sherburne, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Dowse	6 05

RELIGIOUS CHAR. SOC. MIDDLESEX NORTH AND VICINITY.

[Dea. Jona. S. Adams, Groton, Tr.]	
Pepperell, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Andrews	19 00

NORFOLK COUNTY.

[Ebenezer Alden, M. D. Randolph, Tr.]	
Abington, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Ward	28 00
Braintree, Soc. of Rev. Jonas Perkins	22 16
Soc. of Rev. Dr. Sturz	46 55
Milton, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Cozzens	16 14—112 85

OLD COLONY.

[Col. Alexander Seabury, New Bedford, Tr.]	
Fairhaven, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Roberts	18 00
New Bedford, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Hitchcock	77 00
Soc. of Rev. Mr. Prentiss	47 00
Individual in Grace Ch.	2 00—144 00

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

Boston, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Rogers	20 00
Soc. of Rev. Mr. Kirk, balance	5 25
S. W. Marsh 5, J. Buyden 1, R. Cook 1,	7 00
Miss Lambert, from a lady deceased	10 00
East Boston, Maverick Ch.	13 93—56 18

WORCESTER CO. CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

[Hon. Abijah Bigelow, Worcester, Tr.]	
Oxford, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Bardwell	60 00

EDUCATION SOCIETY IN WORCESTER CO. NORTH ASSOCIATION.

[Mr. Moses Chamberlain, Templeton, Tr.]	
Lancaster, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Packard	10 00

RHODE ISLAND STATE.

Providence, Soc. of Rev. Dr. Tucker, Gent.	
230,75, Ladies 41,25,	272 00

Soc. of Rev. Mr. Granger	18 50
Soc. of Rev. Mr. Leavitt, of which by	
Mr. D. Andrews 86,82,	95 82—386 32

NEW HAMPSHIRE BRANCH.

[Hon. Samuel Morril, Concord, Tr.]

Derry, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Parker	30 00
Dublin, Contribution, by S. A. Gerould, Tr. Cheshire Co. Aux. Soc.	3 25
Fitzwilliam, Ladies' Ed. Soc. by do.	32 45
Annual Concert for Colleges, do.	3 31
Hinsdale, Contribution do.	5 38
Keene, Ladies Ed. Soc. do.	10 25
J. B. Breed do.	5 00
Sullivan, Contribution do.	4 30
	893 94

NORTH WESTERN BRANCH.

[Joseph Warner, Esq., Middlebury, Vt., Tr.]

Berlin, Friend	3 00
Montpelier, do.	50
Plainfield, do.	29
Walden, Mrs. James Bell	1 00
Cornwall, Cong. Ch. and Soc.	19 34
Ladies' Society	13 00
Newhaven, Female Benev. Soc.	5 10
Middlebury, do.	45 08
Bridport, Ch. and Society	10 00
	897 31

CONNECTICUT BRANCH.

[Edward Goodwin, Esq. Hartford, Tr.]

Bristol, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Seely	21 55
Danbury, Soc. of Rev. R. S. Stone, \$10 of which from	
Mrs. R. R. Irwin, in part to const. Rev. I. W.	
Irwin an H. M.	
Goshen, 1st Ch. by Rev. L. Perrin	48 44
Hanover, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Ayres	19 95
Hebron, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Doolittle	4 13
Middletown, Fem. Ed. Soc. by Eliza B. Pratt, Tr.	7 31
New London, Soc. of Rev. A. McEwen, Gent. 98,	28 00
Ladies 66,56,	164 66
Soc. of Rev. Mr. Edwards	67 50
Norwich, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Bond, Gent. 112,75, Ladies	170 50
57,75,	72 50
Soc. of Rev. Mr. Chid, Gent. 47,50, Ladies 25,	6 10
Soc. of Rev. Mr. Whitman	23 67
Soc. of Rev. Mr. Arms	
Stafford, 1st Cong. Soc. \$40 of which to const. Rev.	52 29
George H. Woodward an H. M.	81 25
Stonington Point, Soc. of Rev. Mr. Clift	34 67
Watertown, Soc. of Rev. Philo R. Hurd	
	802 42

WESTERN RESERVE BRANCH.

[Stephen Tracy, M. D. Hudson, O., Tr.]

Mesopotamia, Ladies' Sewing Society	3 56
Richfield, Messrs. M. & N. Harmon	10 00
Tallmadge, Gent. Benev. Association	16 26
Proceeds of Table, by Rev. D. C. Blood	1 75

\$31 57

CENTRAL AMERICAN EDUCATION SOCIETY.

[William A. Booth, Esq. New York, Tr.]

Bleeker St. Ch. N. Y. Ladies	81 00
Brooklyn, 1st Ch. S. Parker 10, D. Pomroy 5, R. R.	
Graves 2, James How 10,	27 00
Fort Towson, Ark. Col. Loomis	17 60
Millard 31, N. Preston 7,	28 00
Morriatown, N. J. Mrs. C. B. Arden	50 00
Refunded	96 32

\$309 92

UTICA AGENCY.

[James Dutton, Esq. Utica, Tr.]

Binghampton, Pres. Ch. 50, De Witt 5,47, East Cov.	58 32
entry 2,85,	7 25
Do. Cong. Ch.	
Eaton 3,27, Fayetteville 16,75, Hebron 9,	29 02
Guilford 23,50, Hamilton 5,65, Homer 16,25,	45 40
Lysander 33, Madison 13, Morrisville 3,65,	49 65
Norwich, James Henshaw 4,50, Oneida Association 4,40,	8 90
Preston 11, Sagoit 12,86, Sherburne 22,90,	46 76
West Coventry 1,93, Whitesboro' 21,16,	23 09
Peterboro' 3,25, Oxford 17,34,	20 57
Vernon Centre	1 50

\$299 46

WESTERN EDUCATION SOCIETY OF NEW YORK.

[James S. Seymour, Esq. Auburn, Tr.]

Batavia, N. Y. 45, Caroline, Dr. Speed 5,	50 00
Elmira 13,42, Ithaca 75,25,	88 67
Southport	5 33

\$144 00

PHILADELPHIA EDUCATION SOCIETY.

[George W. McClelland, Esq. Philadelphia, Tr.]

Philadelphia, 3d Ch. 124,15, Ladies, do. 125,	249 15
Clinton St. Ch. 187, 1st Ch. Kensington, 27,65	214 65
Fifth Ch. Phila. 197,50, Wilmington, Del. 34,25,	231 75
First Ch. N. L. Phila. 18,67, 1st ch. Phila. bal. 37,	55 67
Miss Ruth Irving 29, J. Ashmead 10,	30 00

\$781 22

Whole amount received, \$6,316 74.

Clothing received during the Quarter.

Western Reserve Branch.

Mesopotamia, Ladies' Sewing Society, 4 shirts, 13 pairs socks, and 1 palm leaf hat. Wellington, John S. Case, 1 pair shoes.

Quarterly List of Ordinations and Installations.

The following statistics of Ordinations, Installations, and Deaths of Clergymen, are as extensive and accurate as we can make them from the papers published by the different denominations of Christians to which we have access.

MAINE.

JOHN WILD, Cong. inst. pastor, Falmouth, June 4, 1845.

JACOB CHAPMAN, Cong. ord. evan. Fryeburg, June 22.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

DAVID P. SMITH, Cong. inst. pastor, Greenfield, May 8.

ELIHU T. ROWE, Cong. ord. pastor, Hillsboro', May 29.

WILLIAM R. JEWETT, Cong. inst. pastor, Plymouth, June 25.

MAINE.

JOHN WILD, Cong. inst. pastor, Colchester, June 25.

MASSACHUSETTS.

GEORGE L. PRENTISS, Cong. ord. pastor, New Bedford, April 9.

DAVID DYER, Cong. inst. pastor, Dorchester, April 9.

BARNABAS FAY, Cong. inst. pastor, Wilmington, April 23.

EDWARD A. LAWRENCE, Cong. inst. pastor, Marblehead, April 23.

DAVID BRIGHAM, Cong. inst. pastor, Bridgewater, April 23.

HORATIO MERRILL, Cong. inst. pastor, West Newbury, May 7.

RICHARD T. SEARLE, Cong. ord. pastor, Middleton, May 8.

DAVID MCGEE BARDWELL, Cong. ord. H. M. Southbridge, May 14.

B. F. HOSFORD, Cong. ord. pastor, Haverhill, May 21.

CHARLES S. PORTER, Cong. inst. pastor, Plymouth, May 25.

STILLMAN PRATT, Cong. inst. pastor, South Adams, June 11.

WILLIAM STOW, Bap. ord. pastor, Charlestown, June 26.

GEORGE N. TOWNSEND, Bap. inst. pastor, Reading, June 25.

CONNECTICUT.

JOHN C. DOWNER, Cong. ord. evan. Norwichtown, March 26.

DANIEL MARCH, Cong. ord. pastor, Cheshire, April 23.

ALBERT SMITH, Cong. inst. pastor, Vernon, May 21.

WALTER CLARKE, Cong. inst. pastor, Hartford, June 4.

DANIEL D. FRANCIS, Cong. inst. pastor, North Canaan, June 4.

J. M. WILLEY, Epis. ord. priest, Hartford, June 10.

H. D. NOBLE, Epis. ord. priest, Hartford, June 10.

DAVID TRUMBULL, Cong. ord. evan. Norwich, June 10.

WILLIAM C. WALKER, Bap. ord. pastor, Groton, June 18.

JOSHUA R. BROWN, Cong. ord. pastor, Lebanon, (Goshen)

June 21.

NEW YORK.

E. W. KELLOGG, Pres. ord. evan. Rochester, Feb. 18.

B. M. GOLDSMITH, Pres. ord. pastor, Southport and Che-

mung, Feb. 25.

OLIVER P. CONKLIN, Pres. inst. pastor, Brownville and Dexter, March 11.
 GEORGE T. TODD, Pres. inst. pastor, Ballston Spa, Mar. 12.
 JOSEPH P. THOMPSON, Cong. inst. pastor, New York, April 15.
 CHARLES MERWIN, Pres. inst. pastor, Bethel, April 16.
 ISAAC FLAGLER, Pres. inst. pastor, Hopewell, April 16.
 EZRA H. GILLET, Pres. inst. pastor, Haerlem, April 16.
 O. ROCKWOOD, Pres. ord. evan. New York, April 18.
 DAN TAYLOR BAGG, Pres. ord. pastor, New York, April 18.
 RICHARD DUNNING, Pres. inst. pastor, Adams' Basin, Apr. 29.
 GEORGE F. WISWELL, Pres. ord. pastor, Southold, L. I., June 8.

PENNSYLVANIA.

J. F. CALKINS, Pres. ord. pastor, Willsborough, Nov. 12, 1844.
 DANIEL GASTON, Pres. inst. pastor, Cohocksink, Jan. 21, 1845.
 — MURPHY, Pres. inst. pastor, Phillipsburg.
 JOHN M. BAGGS, Pres. ord. pastor, Paxton, April 9.
 M. A. SACKET, Pres. inst. pastor, Circleville, April 25.
 JOHN P. HUDSON, Pres. inst. pastor, McEwansville, April 29.
 ROGER OWEN, Pres. inst. pastor, Columbia, May 1.
 WILLIAM M. HALL, Pres. inst. pastor, Bedford, May 15.
 ALLEN D. METCALF, Pres. inst. pastor, Big Spring and Taylorsville, May 31.
 S. H. SMITH, Pres. ord. pastor, Hopewell, June 17.

VIRGINIA.

GEORGE A. DAVIS, Pres. ord. pastor, Salem, April 26.
 BENJAMIN H. BENTON, Bap. ord. pastor, North Fork, Loudon Co. May 23.
 HENRY H. PAYNE, Pres. inst. pastor, Fincastle, May 30.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

— DUNWODY, Pres. ord. evan. Charleston, April 13.

ALABAMA.

ROBERT B. WHITE, Pres. inst. pastor, Tuscaloosa, Apr. 26.
 — GAY, Epis. ord. priest, Montgomery, May 4.
 CHARLES A. STILLMAN, Pres. ord. pastor, Mesopotamia, Green Co. June 1.

LOUISIANA.

JAMES BEATTIE, Pres. ord. evan. New Orleans, April 14.
 R. L. STANTON, Pres. inst. pastor, New Orleans, May 25.

OHIO.

DANIEL TENNEY, Pres. ord. pastor, Oxford, May 13.

ILLINOIS.

GEORGE STEBBINS, Pres. inst. pastor, Sterling, May 22.

MISSOURI.

J. B. TOWNSEND, Pres. inst. pastor, St. Louis, April 6.
 WILLIAM HOMES, Pres. ord. pastor, St. Louis, April 6.

WISCONSIN TERRITORY.

DAVID PINKERTON, Pres. ord. evan. Aztalan, Feb. 13.
 HOMER B. BENSON, Pres. ord. evan. Aztalan, Feb. 13.
 Z. EDDY, Pres. inst. pastor, Mineral Point, Feb. 13.
 R. R. SNOW, Pres. ord. pastor, Troy, Feb. 26.

IOWA TERRITORY.

ERASTUS RIPLEY, Cong. ord. pastor, Bentonsport, April 3.
 HARVEY ADAMS, Cong. inst. pastor, Farmington, April 16.

Whole number in the above list, 70.

SUMMARY.

Ordinations.....	34	Connecticut.....	10
Installations.....	36	New York.....	12
— Pennsylvania.....	10		
Total.....	70	Virginia.....	3
		South Carolina.....	1
		Alabama.....	3
OFFICES.		Louisiana.....	2
Pastors.....	57	Ohio.....	1
Evangelists.....	10	Illinois.....	1
Priests.....	3	Missouri.....	2
Total.....	70	Wisconsin Territory.....	4
		Iowa Territory.....	2
		Total.....	70

DENOMINATIONS.

Congregational.....	27	DATES.	
Presbyterian.....	36	1844. November.....	1
Baptist.....	4	1845. January.....	1
Episcopalian.....	3	February.....	6
—	1845.	March.....	3
Total.....	70	April.....	24
		May.....	17
STATES.		June.....	17
Maine.....	2	Not specified.....	1
New Hampshire.....	3		
Vermont.....	1		
Massachusetts.....	18	Total.....	70

DEATHS OF CLERGYMEN.

Quarterly List of Deaths of Clergymen.

MAINE.

JONATHAN CALEF, et. 83, Cong. Lyman, April 25, 1845.
 JOHN BAILEY, et. 55, Alna, May 12.
 EDWARD H. EDES, et. 42, Kennebunk, May 30.

VERMONT.

OTIS WILDER, et. 41, Meth. Marston's Mills, Barnstable, Sep. 13, 1844.
 DEXTER BATES, et. 67, Meth. Springfield, March 9, 1845.

MASSACHUSETTS.

IRA H. T. BLANCHARD, et. 47, South Weymouth, April 9.
 TIMOTHY MERRITT, et. 70, Meth. Lynn, May 2.
 JONATHAN FARR, et. 54, Harvard, June 12.

CONNECTICUT.

WILLIAM G. MILLER, Bap. Essex, (at Newton, N. Y.) April 12.

NEW YORK.

WILLIAM W. NINDE, et. 35, Meth. Rome, Feb. 27.
 JAMES MILNOR, D. D. et. 72, Epis. New York, April 8.
 CHARLES SEABURY, et. 74, Epis. Setauket.
 WILLIAM N. YOUNG, et. 33, Meth. Newburgh.
 JAMES COVEL, JR. et. 49, Meth. Troy, May 15.
 SAMUEL FINLEY SNOWDEN, et. 78, Pres. Brownville, May 21.
 JOEL WOOD, et. 49, D. Ref. Fort Miller, June 6.

NEW JERSEY.

THOMAS TANSER, Epis. West Jersey, April 8.

PENNSYLVANIA.

WILLIAM PAXTON, et. 86, Pres. Millerstown, April 16.
 JOHN GREGG, et. 62, Meth. Warren Co. April 24.
 ALEXANDER BOYD, et. 65, Pres. Lock Haven, June 1.
 JAMES GRAHAM, et. 70, Wilkinsburg, June 28.

MARYLAND.

OSCAR TAYLOR, et. 34, Baltimore, June 8.

GEORGIA.

E. PHARR, Pres. Jackson Co. June 12.

ALABAMA.

O. G. FOSTER, et. 27, Bap. Claiborne, March 21.
 EDWARD D. SIMS, Meth. Tuscaloosa, April 15.
 CHARLES CROW, Bap. Perry Co. June 12.

MISSISSIPPI.

JOHN HENSHAW, Epis. Nokubee Co. April 7.

LOUISIANA.

JOHN L. MONTGOMERY, Pres. March 10.

OHIO.

JOSHUA PHILLIPS, et. 60, Berlin, March 21.

INDIANA.

N. SNETHEN, et. 76, Meth. Provincetown, May 30.

MICHIGAN.

DAVID WHITLOCK, et. 30, Meth. Ionia Co. Jan. 27.

JOSEPH PRATT, Hudson, March 26.

JOSEPH WINSLOW, et. 71, Meth. Antwerp, April 23.

Whole number in the above list, 33.

SUMMARY.

AGES.		VERMONT.	
From 20 to 30.....	2	Massachusetts.....	5
30 40.....	3	Connecticut.....	1
40 50.....	5	New York.....	7
50 60.....	2	New Jersey.....	1
60 70.....	6	Pennsylvania.....	4
70 80.....	5	Maryland.....	1
80 90.....	2	Georgia.....	1
Not specified.....	8	Alabama.....	3
Total.....	33	Mississippi.....	1
		Louisiana.....	1
		Ohio.....	1
Sum of all the ages specified.....	1,433	Indiana.....	1
Average age of the 25-57 1-3		Michigan.....	3
		Total.....	33

DENOMINATIONS.	DATES.
Congregational.....	1844. September.....
Presbyterian.....	1845. January.....
Baptist.....	February.....
Episcopalian.....	March.....
Methodist.....	April.....
Not specified.....	May.....
Total.....	June.....
	Not specified.....

STATES.

Maine..... 3 Total..... 33